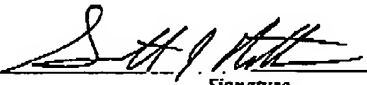


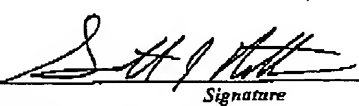
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Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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